GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
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NATIONAL POPULATION STABILISATION FUND
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up any National Population Stabilisation Fund to control the population in the country;

(b) if so, the total funds earmarked for the year 2000-2001;

(c) the action taken by the State Governments during the period achieving the objectives for which the National Population Commission has been set up :

(d) whether the State Population Commission have also been set up in every State; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT, MINISTER OF STATE IN TH MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) & (b) The National Population Stabilisation Fund has been registered as a Society and a sum of Rs.50 crores has been allocated as seed money to the corpus of the Fund during 2000-2001. The Fund will become operational after the approval of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs is received.

(c), (d) & (e) The Chief Ministers of all the States are members of the National Commission on Population (NCP).The very first meeting of the NCP gave a clear and categorical message about the widespread national concern to achieve early population stabilisation and the need for giving a sense of urgency for taking effective steps to accelerate the process. Some States have formulated their own population policies. Many States have set up State Population Commissions. There is a general commitment on the part of all State Governments to implement necessary policies and programmes for population stabilisation at an early date.